

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Friday, October 24, 1729.

Paris, October 22.

THE Commissioners being appointed by the King to examine the Prisoners detained for Debt, and to receive the Petitions of the Criminals, who have had Leave to come and present themselves, till the 10th of the next Month inclusively, it being his Majesty's Pleasure to grant his Pardon to a certain Number, on Occasion of the Dauphin's Birth, above 300 Hundred have already offered themselves, besides those who are actually in Prison.

They continue to discharge the Prisoners for Debt in this City, with the Money given for that Purpose by the King.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Octob. 18.

Since our last arrived the Mails from France, Flanders and Holland,

BY which we have the following Advices: From Moscow, That the Czar was returned thither, and had given a great Feast on Account of the Peace with Persia, on which Subject he expressed himself to Baron Osterman in these Words, viz. "See how, by the Assistance of God, and the Valour of my Grandfather, I have put my Empire on all Sides in Security; and can there be any thing more wanting". Hereupon the Baron answered, "A Spoule, by whom your Majesty may have a Successor". To which his Majesty thus replied. "It is a long while ago that I resolved to take a Journey into Germany to chuse one, and to renew at the same Time the Alliance I have made, and I think the present Time most proper for it.

From Vienna, That on the 21 instant the Lord Waldgrave returned thither from Hanover: And from Hamburgh, That the Conferences at Brunswick would soon be finished, and the Hanoverian and Prussian Soldiers exchanged, after the Arrival of the Ratification of the Agreement from England.

It was Mr. George Vanbrook, an eminent Portu-

gal Merchant, and Brother to the late Sir John, that died this Week, and left all his Estate, Coach-Horses, &c. of many Thousand Pounds, to one of his Men Servants, who had lived with him 25 Years, a Reward for his Honesty and Industry. He was last Night buried at St. Stephens Walbrook, in a Vault belonging the Family.

Last Thursday the Reverend Dr. Stuckely was presented to a Living of L. 200 per Annum, near Grantham in Lincoln-Shire, by the Lord Chancellor.

The Lord Viscount Torrington is much recovered of the Gout, and will be in Town in a few Days. 'Tis said the Lord Viscount Townshend is indisposed.

Yesterday Morning Sir Robert Walpole, the Lord Malpas, and other Persons of Distinction, set out for Northfolk.

The Letters from Seville advise, That on the 27th past their Catholick Majesties and Royal Family, arrived there from Port St. Marys; and that two Days after the French Ambassador in an Audience of their Majesties, communicated to them the Dispatches he had received per Express from his Court, the Particulars whereof we know not: But 'tis said his Excellency Mr. Stanhope was expected there the 11th or 12th instant, to put the last Hand to the Peace.

They write from Spithead, That Sir George Walton struck his Flag Yesterday Morning, after which the Fleet separated into their respective Harbours during the Winter.

According to what is discoursed by some People, the Fire Ships are to be continued.

Mean Time the Directors of the South Sea Company, who are unanimous, notwithstanding all that has been said to the contrary, for carrying on their Trade, last Thursday took 20 Packers into their Service, and have ordered above 25000 long Ells, and great Quantities of all Sorts of our Woolen Silk, Iron, Brass, Steel, and other Manufactures to be bought up. And we are told 'tis the Opini-

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on of some, who are well vers'd, That as Matters now stand, there never was a better Prospect these many Years past for carrying on their Commerce. Upon the whole, there must be very great Assurances, which 'tis hoped will soon be confirmed by Authority.

Yesterday the Right Honourable Francis Lord Guilford departed this Life.

From a Weekly Journal, Octob. 18.

The Foreign News-writers tell us, that Colonel Stanhope is charged with some Instructions relating to the Establishment of Don Carlos in Italy, which they flatter themselves will put that Court into an Humour of coming to an Accommodation about other Points with the Allies of Hanover. But we take these Rumours to be raised by some who are no Friends to the present *wise and able* Ministers of England, whom they would represent, as one Day eagerly pushing the same Points which they as eagerly opposed the Day before, and as if they were influenced by Humour, and not the Good of their Country. But we would warn Men against the Belief of Reports so prejudicial to the establish'd Characters of our present *wise and able* Ministers.

They tell us from Italy, that several Princes are entering into Measures to oppose Don Carlos; so that this, the Plan of some Modern Politicians for a Peace, seems impracticable without a War.

Letters from Lisbon say, that the Difference betwixt that and another Court, (occasioned by a Portuguese Merchant Ship falling foul of a certain Man of War) is lately made up, to the Honour and Satisfaction of the Court of Portugal. We desire to be excused from telling the Conditions, for Reasons best known to ourselves. However, 'tis observable, that all our News-writers have been dumb upon that Subject.

Advices from France put us in Mind of a Passage in the Pamphlet called, *The Enquiry into the Conduct of G. Britain*; wherein the Author told us, that our good Allies the French had been at some *Expence* in augmenting their Troops; but it happened that his Intelligence was *false*: For there was even a Reduction of all the Troops of the Household of France just before he writ; and tho' there was a small Addition made to some Regiments of Foot, yet upon the whole, their *Expence* was rather lessened than increased. But we have Charity to believe, that it might have been true for any thing he knew to the contrary. But if he had let that

Affair alone till now, he might with Truth have said that France puts herself to some *Expence*: I do not mean in Rejoicings for the Dauphin's Birth, the Affair I have in View is of a more serious Nature: For our Advices from Dunkirk take notice, that after several Piles had been driven in for narrowing the Chanel, the Men left off Work; but they were set to work again to the Number of 4 or 500, upon the old Harbour: There are also 3 Frigates on the Stocks, of 40 & 41 Guns; So that by degrees we may have the Happiness of seeing another Dunkirk Squadron. All this will be allowed to be some *Expence*; and I hope our Grumbletonians will now acknowledge that our good Allies the French are in earnest: Therefore let the Spaniards take care of themselves. *I wonder what the Moon thinks of us!*

London, Oct. 18. There is a Rumour about the Town, as if Colonel Chartris had been cheated of a considerable Sum of Money. *What will this World come to!*

From the Weekly Medley, Oct. 18.

We hear nothing from Soissons, from Brunswick, or from Port St. Mary's, that's worth mentioning. From the *West Indies* 'tis quite otherwise: The Jamaica Merchants make loud Complaints, that if due Care is not presently taken, they are in Danger of losing their whole Trade, and of being reduc'd to Beggary, by the continual Depredations of the Spaniards, who act in these Parts as if they were in actual War with us, whilst *We* sit as quiet as if we were at actual Peace with them; so that indeed, one does not know what to expect from our Secret Negotiations. Whatever they are, our Enemies seem not to fear any ill Consequences to themselves, and at the same time, do as if they were resolved to retake that Island from us, the keeping whereof has cost so much Blood and Treasure.

From the Evening Post, Oct. 18.

Paris, Oct. 18. They write from Rome, That the Chevalier de St. George, the Princess Clementine, and their two Sons, are all in perfect Health, and went to Albano the 12th past, to pass the Autumn.

Hague, Oct. 25. They write from Vienna, that it was reported there that the King of Portugal would join his Forces with those of his Catholick Majesty, to put the Infant Don Carlos into the Possession of Tuscany.

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London, Oct. 18. We hear that 14 Ships of Sir Charles Wager's Squadron are ordered for Guard-Ships, and the rest of that Squadron will continue their full Compliments.

Letters from Limerick in Ireland mention, that Colonel George Groves died there the 7th Instant.

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, Oct. 18.

Amsterdam, Oct. 21. The Squadron of this Republick of 12 Men of War, which hath been this Summer at Spithead under Admiral Somersdike, is now separated; 3 Ships are sailed for the Mediterranean, 5 are in the Texel, and the other 4 are gone to their respective Ports.

Paris, Oct. 22. The 15th, the Queen was Church'd in the Church of the Castle of Versailles, and received the Blessed Sacrament.

London, Oct. 18. Alexander Ross, Esq; Lt. Colonel of Londonderry's Regiment of Foot, is appointed Lt. Colonel of General Ross's Regiment of Dragoons, in the Room of Lt. Colonel Bolton deceased.

Charles Douglas, Esq; Lt. Colonel of Gen. Dubourgay's Regiment of Foot, is appointed Lt. Colonel of the Earl of Londonderry's Regiment. And Sir Robert Montgomery, Bart. Lt. Colonel in Half-pay, succeeds Charles Douglas, Esq; as Lt. Colonel of Gen. Dubourgay's Regiment.

From St. James's Evening-Post, Octob. 18.

Berlin, Oct. 16. His Prussian Majesty returned hither from Potsdam Yesterday, highly satisfied of the Appearance of his Troops there; and we hear his Majesty designs to complete all his Regiments out of hand, that they may be ready on all Accounts.

Hanover, Oct. 20. The Regency here have given Orders to hold in Readiness to march the Troops of this Electorate, since 'tis said his Prussian Majesty continues his in the like Posture. Mean time 'tis expected that all things will soon be made easy between the said Monarchs.

Vienna, Oct. 8. The immensely rich Prince of Lichtenstein, having conducted his new Consort to view some of his Lordships, has plac'd on 3 of her Toilets along their Progress, upon each a Bill of Exchange of 40,000 Florins, which Sum of 120,000 Florins her Highness may receive here at Pleasure, and apply to what Use she thinks meet.

This Prince has moreover purchased the costly Jewels of his late Consort, the Property whereof devolved to their two Children, and presented 'em

to the Princess his Spouse.

'Tis believ'd that this Nobleman has a yearly Revenue of 800,000 Florins, beside near 3 Millions in ready Money, Plate and Jewels.

Berlin, Oct. 8. There almost daily arrive Expresses from the Court of Saxony, but the Contents are kept very secret.

Cadix, Oct. 4. The Advice-boat from Carthage-na mention'd in my last to have been left at the Havana, arrived here Yesterday, having been 42 Days in her Passage. The two Guard-de-costas bound hither, were arrived at the Havana, and would wait there till a new Man of War (built there) was rigged and fitted for the Sea, which, as also the *Pennsylvanian*, one of the last Galleons, was to sail thence to this Port together. 'Tis believed these Ships have on board two Millions of Pieces of Eight, whereof 600,000 are for the King. The Delivery of the Effects of the Galleons and Assignees Ships is not yet finished.

London, Oct. 18. The *Mary Tacht*, Capt. Molloy, is ordered for Holland, to bring over the Duke and Dutchess of Richmond, and their Retinue. And the *Katharine Tacht*, Capt. Pomeroye, is ordered to the same Coast, to bring over a German Baron.

The Countess of Kerry is just come from Paris, and had the Honour to wait on their Majesties at Kensington; and has presented the Queen with a Necklace and Ear-rings of Amethysts found in the County of Kerry, with which her Majesty was very well pleased.

On Thursday last died of a Fever, at his House in the Broad Way, Westminster, Mr. Gregory, an Apothecary, much lamented by the Poor in that Neighbourhood, to whom in their Sickness he was a constant Visiter, supplying them with Medicines at his own Charge.

His Excellency the Earl of Chesterfield is expected in Town Tomorrow from Holland.

Edinburgh, 24. Oct. We hear that Lieutenant Colonel Francis Farquhar, is made Lieutenant Colonel, to Colonel George Grove's Regiment in Ireland, in Place of Lieutenant Colonel Hand-side deceased.

And that Captain Hugh Boyd is made Captain in the Guards, in Place of Captain James Murray, who has got a Company in Lord Mark Ker's Regiment.

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This Day (being the 13th of the Moon) 'tis High Water at Leith at 11 o' Clock, 56 Min. Tomorrow, at 12, 44 Min. Full Moon Tomorrow Night at 7.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

† CHARLES MACKY, History Professor in the University of Edinburgh, begins his College, viz. of the *History of the World and Roman Antiquities*, on Tuesday the 11th of November next.

† That the second Storey of TRAIL'S LAND, lying on the Shore of Leith, with the Cellars and Garret belonging thereto, which pertained to Richard Murray Merchant in Edinburgh, as lately possessed by John Fenron Vintner in Leith; being formerly advertised either to be Sette in Tack or Sold irredeemably (by way of publick Roup) by the TRUSTEES for the said Richard Murray's Creditors: The said Roup is now Adjourned to Tuesday the 11th Day of November next, in John's Coffeehouse, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 in the Afternoon. The Progress of Writs and Conditions of Roup to be seen in the Hands of Charles Farquharson Writer to the Signet, at his Chamber in the 4th Storey of Gavinlock's Land, in the Lawnmarket.

† That the Lands of BYERS, lying within the Parish of Backgate and Sheriffdom of Linlithgow, of about £. 50 sterl. yearly Rent, and holding Feu of the Crown for Payment of 8 Merks yearly; as also the Lands of GARVIE-SIDE and BROTHERSTON, with a convenient Dwelling-house two Stories high, Officehouses and Dovecot, lying in the Parish of West Calder and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh, of about £. 50 sterl. yearly Rent, to be holden of the Crown or of a Subject: ARE to be Rouped and Sold upon Wednesday the 26th of November next, in the House of Robert Brown Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 in the Afternoon, jointly or separately. The Rental, Progress and Conditions of Roup to be seen in the Hands of James Scot Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Byres's Close. *Nota.* If any have a mind to purchase upon reasonable Terms, before the Day of Roup, they may enquire at the said James Scot.

† There is to be sold by voluntary Roup at the House of Baillie Henderson, or Mrs. Tod in Newgalloway upon the 20th of November next, together or in Parcels, the Lands of OYER-BAR and GLAISTERS, lying in the Parish of Kirkpatrick and Stewartry of Kirkcudbright; Also the Lands of Meikle-Carleton, Ingleton, Littleton and Greenshank, lying in the Parish of Borgue, and Stewartry aforesaid, belonging to Alexander Gordon of Carleton, and paying of free yearly Rent £. 910 Scots, besides Casualties and Baillie-work. The Rights and Conditions of Sale of the said Lands of BAR and GLAISTERS are to be seen before the Sale in the Hands of John Goldie Writer in Dumfries, and the Rights and Conditions of Sale of the said other Lands, in the Hands of William Gordon of Campbelsoun in Kirkcudbright.

† That the Lands of Easter Harburnhead, of £. 538, 06, 08 Scots of yearly Rent, with a convenient Dwelling-House two Storeys high, with good and convenient Office-houses, all lately repaired, and some little planted Inclosures. The Lands of Wester Harburnhead, £. 266 13 04. Middle-Muir, £. 72 13 04; 16 Bolls Meal. The Lands of Camilty and Camilty-Mill, £. 337 00 04; Eight Bolls Meal: All lying contiguous. The Lands of Bresslrig and Sandiegate, £. 109 Money, 10 Bolls Meal, 1 Boll Oats; a Pendi-cle thereof call'd Backstoneford, £. 26 06 08 Money, 4 Bolls Meal. The Lands of Well-heads of W. Williamson, £. 191 02 04 Money, 10 Bolls Meal: Extending in all to £. 1341 05 04 Scots Money; 3 Chalders Meal, and one Boll Oats of yearly Rent; all lying within the Parishes of Mid and West Calders, and Sheriffdom of Edinburgh; all set to good and sufficient Tenants, at the above Rent, conform to Tacks. To be holden Feu of the Crown, or of the Right Honourable the Lord of Torphichen: ARE to be Rouped and Sold upon Tuesday the 25th of November next, in the House of Robert Brown Vintner in Edinburgh, twixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, jointly or separately. The Rental, Progress and Conditions of Roup to be seen in the Hands of JAMES SCOT Writer in Edinburgh, at his House in Byres's Close. *Nota.* The Lands are very improvable, being partly Muir and partly Dale-Lands: A Slate Quarey in the Lands of Easter Harburnhead, Moss in several of the Mailings, and a Lime Quarey in Backstoneford, and lying near to several Coal heuhs.

By the Trustees for MERCHANTON'S Creditors.

That the Lands of COCKBURN, lying in the Parish of Curry and Shire of Mid-Lothian, holding Taxward of the Crown, paying of yearly Rent One Hundred Pounds Sterling, and the Lands much improven by Inclosures, both of Stone and with Ditch and Hedge, and having a vast deal of young Planting on the Ground, (subject to a Teind payable to the Town of Edinburgh, sette to the Heritor at 50 Merks yearly, for a good many Years yet to run) As also, That the Lands of MOUNT, lying in the Parish of Monymuel and Shire of Fife, and Teinds of the same, holding Blanche of the Crown, and paying of yearly Rent Seven Hundred and thirty three Pound, Six Shillings, Eight Penies Scots, and Eight Bolls of Oats. As also, That the Lands of GLADSTANES and GREENSHALLS, lying in the Parish of Liberton, Barony of Carnwath, and Shire of Lanark, holding Feu of the Laird of Carnwath, and paying yearly One thousand Six hundred and sixty eight Pound six Shilling and Eight Penies Scots, and one Chalders and a half of Meal, and Half a Chalders of Bear: ARE all to be exposed, separately, to Roup and Sale by the said Trustees, as Trustees for the Creditors of John Louis of Merchanton, Mr. Thomas Menzies of Letham, upon Friday the 7th Day of November next, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 5 after Noon in the House of William Gray Vintner in the Assembly-close Edinburgh. The Rentals, Progresses of Writs, and Conditions of Roups of the said several Lands, are to be seen in the Hands of James Haliburton Writer to the Signet, and Clerk to the said Trustees, at his Chamber in the Luckenbooths.

Nota. The Lands of MOUNT give a Vote for a Member of Parliament.

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